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ABSTRACT

A method and computerized system is disclosed for managing the underwriting, quoting and

binding an insurance policy with regard to the technology used to militate against the financial

consequences of property losses. The invention utilizes a classifier for categorizing and weighing

risk, composed of data representing in an identified building, a first unmitigated insurance risk

and a second insurance risk, based upon the use of certain technology. Each data structure forms

a difference, referred to as a weighted difference, between the unmitigated risk and the mollified

risk. A plurality of such weighted differences are summed such that the weighted differences

generates a minimized risk for a building structure under consideration, combinations of

technologies, employed in existing building structures to a classification, which then permits an

underwriter to establish a premium. In another aspect of the invention data structures

representing the quantification of risk reduction attendant a given technology or product are

chained into a plurality of decision trees that process a construction phase and a pruning phase.

20 The construction phase requires that the set of building structures and corresponding

combination of technologies be partitioned into two or more subpartitions, until a stopping

criterion is met and a classification assigned. The decision applies a splitting criterion to every

node of the tree. These splitting criteria are determined by applying a predetermined rule or

function that an underwriter applies to eventually place the applicant for insurance into a

classification that is then utilized as a factor in establishing the premium.

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